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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, lines 16-17, please replace: "co-pending patent application Serial No. 08/042,168" with: -- U.S. Patent No. 5,712,989 --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 through 78 currently on file, without prejudice.

Please add the following newly presented claims:

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--79. An electronic sourcing system comprising:

at least two vendor product catalogs containing data relating to items associated with the respective vendors;

means for selecting the vendor product catalogs to search;

means for searching for matching items among the selected vendor product catalogs;

means for building a requisition using data relating to selected matching items and their associated vendor(s); and

means for processing the requisition to generate one or more purchase orders for the selected matching items.--

--80. The electronic sourcing system of claim 79 wherein the purchase orders include data relating to a vendor catalog number for the selected matching items.--

--81. The electronic sourcing system of claim 79 further